

**BOROUGH OF WESTWOOD
SPECIAL WORK MEETING OF THE MAYOR & COUNCIL
MARCH 8, 2016 MINUTES
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
101 Washington Avenue
7:00 PM**

1. Opening of the Meeting:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Birkner at 7:00 pm. Mayor Birkner then read the Open Public Meetings Law Statement: "This special meeting which conforms with the Open Public Meetings law, Chapter 231, Public Laws of 1975, is a regular Borough Council meeting. Notices have been filed with our local official newspapers and posted on the municipal bulletin board."

2. Roll Call:

Mayor Birkner – Present
Councilmember Owens – Present
Councilmember Montana – Present
Councilmember Grefrath – Present
Councilmember Dell - Present
Councilmember Arroyo – Present
Council President Bicocchi - Present
Borough Attorney Huntington – Present
Borough Administrator Kezmarsky - Present
Borough Clerk Hughes – Present
Also Present: CFO Durene Ayer, Auditor Ralph Piccone

Committee Assignments:

Public Properties
Finance, Administration & Capital Projects
Fire & Ambulance; Shared Services
Land Use
Police & Emergency Management
Health & Recreation

3. Flag Salute:

Mayor Birkner led those present in the salute to the flag.

4. Public Forum:

Motion to open Agenda/Public Forum: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Arroyo

Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the Affirmative.

No one wished to be heard.

Motion to close Agenda/Public Forum: Council President Bicocchi Second: Councilmember Owens

Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

5. 2016 Municipal Budget Discussion:

A) Overview by Finance Chair

Councilmember Montana reviewed the work done by the Finance Committee on the budget.

B) Budget Review

CFO Durene Ayer presented a slide show that explained the budget caps and reviewed the Borough's revenues and appropriations. The capital budget was also reviewed.

6. Resolution #16 - 88: Executive Closed Session

Motion to adopt Resolution #16- 88: Councilmember Montana Second: Council President Biccocchi

Roll Call: Councilmember Owens - Yes Councilmember Montana - Yes
Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Dell - Yes
Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Council President Biccocchi – Yes

7. Reopen the Meeting:

Motion to reopen the meeting: Councilmember Montana Second: Councilmember Arroyo
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative. The time was 8::00 pm.

8. 2016 Municipal Budget Discussion Continued:

C) Capital Budget

The Governing Body continued discussing and making choices regarding the capital budget.

9. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn: Councilmember Biccocchi Second: Councilmember Dell

Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

The time was 8:36 pm.

Attest:

(signed) Karen Hughes

Karen Hughes, RMC, Borough Clerk

Proofed by: Denise Holmes, Deputy Clerk